

1324

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- THE WEEKLY FREE NO-THEME 'ZINE-

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Intro

Uh Oh Seven

As each editor will probably know: it isn't always easy to fill the pages of your magazine. Sometimes the pages just aren't getting filled and the deadline is creeping up on you. Yes, **1324** issue 007 was one of those zines. Still, thanks to Indra we got a great article on procrastination. Apart from that we took a look a world of online claw machines, wrote some quality trivia and scraped together some facts about that *other* 007. I reckon it has become another zine worth reading after all. Take care and until next week!

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Weather

September vs the Joker



Fucking

Austria
20 °C / 68 °F



Leading Ticks

Newfoundl. & Labrador, Canada
23 °C / 74 °F



Forks of Salmon

California, USA
28 °C / 82 °F

Out Now

Don't bother, currently out of order:



Eh? This is certainly an original way of telling your customers the escalator is out of order. Seen at the *Future shop* in Vancouver, Canada by [Colin Knowles](#). Spotted an *out of order* sign yourself? Please send it to us at this [address](#). Thx!

Go Dutch

In one word a week

'Afrekenen' (verb)

pronounce: ahf-ray-cuh-nun

This word translates to "to pay".

In a sentence

Voordat je de winkel verlaat moet je afrekenen

Before you leave the store you'll have to pay

Also...

This word can also mean 'to deal with something'.

Het wordt tijd dat je afrekend met je verleden

It's time you deal with your past



Little known facts

James Bond

is a fictional secret agent (known as *Secret Agent 007*) who works for *M16*, the British intelligence agency. The character was invented by writer *Ian Fleming*, who wrote a series of books about him in the 50s and 60s. The first *Bond* movie (titled *Dr. No*) launched in 1962. James Bond was first played by *Sean Connery*, who also played bond in six other films such as *From Russia with Love*, *Goldfinger* and *Diamonds are Forever*. The latest Bond movie (*No Time to Die*) is planned for late 2020 and reportedly has a budget of 250 million. Daniel Craig will be taking the role of Bond again. The franchise also spawned plenty of video games including *James Bond 007: The Duel* for 8 and 16-bit SEGA consoles, *Goldeneye* for the N64, *Nightfire* (PS2/XBOX/NGC/GBA/WIN/MAC), *007 Legends* (PS3/XBOX360/WIN/WII-U) and a rather obscure *SG-1000* game.

Trivia

Plenty of questions. Can you come up with the answers?

- [01] What language is spoken in Brazil?
- [02] What colour do you get if you mix yellow and blue?
- [03] What do the letters *Fn* on a laptop keyboard stand for?
- [04] Which company invented the cassette tape/compact cassette?
- [05] Which annual festival takes places in Cannes, France?
- [06] Could you buy a car with a million Nigerian *Naira*? (currency)
- [07] Where does *Michael Kors* hail from?
- [08] Is a sheet of A5 paper larger or smaller than an A4 sheet?
- [09] Name the actress: *WarGames*, *The Breakfast Club*, *Short Circuit*.
- [10] Which actress from *the King of Queens* just won her 2nd Emmy?
- [11] How many legs does a cricket have?
- [12] What type of machine is an *Ultimaker*?
- [13] Can you bring your bicycle on an airplane?
- [14] What colour is the *Colorado* banana from Cuba?
- [15] What's the name of the material in a pencil used for writing?

Answers on page four.

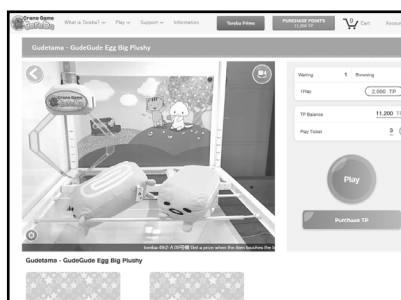
From the Machine: The Webcam Claw [1]

Trying the online claw machine

In last week's **1324** zine we told you about the history of the claw machine. We signed off by telling you we would be playtesting some online claw machines. There's a few of these services around, but for Western customers, the most well known is *Crane Game Toreba* from Japan. When you visit their website you're immediately greeted with literally hundreds of thumbnails of prizes you could win from their claw machines. These range from the regular (*Disney*, *Pokémon* and *Hello Kitty* plushes), to the more ridiculous (thermal shoe dryers, large pillows in the shapes of fish and squeezable bread toys). These prizes should omit a feeling of happiness (and they do, there's a lot *kawaii* stuff), but I couldn't help but feel a little saddened by the amount of basically useless stuff destined for a life at the garbage pile at one point. That didn't stop from registering for an account and buying roughly 10.000 credits, though. Ahem.

Aaaand it's gone!

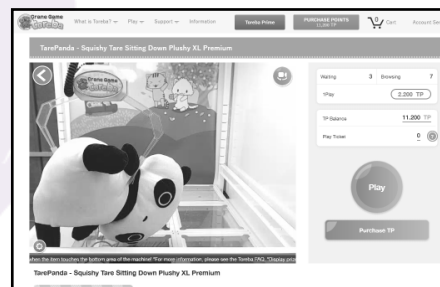
Toreba uses a currency known as 'TP'. For \$8.99 you can buy 10.000 TP. This might seem like a lot, but one try at any of their machines will cost you at least 1500TP and most of them will actually cost you 2000TP. This means you could burn through 10.000TP with just five grabs. Yes, you could say this fun comes at a rather steep prize. First stop: a machine with a *Gudetama* plush inside. I couldn't care less about 95% of the prizes, but the lazy egg was too cute for me to ignore.



You can win *Gudetama* plush, tea cups, plates, oil burners and even frying pans on Toreba.

Each claw machine has two webcams pointed at it. You change between them at any point, which is helpful in the process of eliminating prizes stuck in an awkward position. First you move the claw to the right by holding the on-screen button for as long as you think is needed. The view then automatically changes to a side-on one at which point you move the claw backwards. There's always a little delay between the moment you let go of the button and the moment the claw stops moving, so you'll need to adjust a little. Time to play! Like said, I love *Gudetama* and selected a machine with themed plush inside. At 2000TP a play I better make these grabs count. Of the two plush inside I try to grab the one of the right. I let go of the button at roughly the right time and so the claw grabs the center part of the block-shaped plush.

It lifts it up 2 or 3CM (1") before it drops it and the plush lands in roughly the same spot. Well, that was a disaster. Second try. I stop the claw at the plush on the left. It grabs it, but it slides off and does absolutely nothing. This is certainly turning into a big success! For Toreba, that is. I come to the conclusion this claw won't even grab butter and decide to try my luck at another machine. I end up at a machine with a HUGE plush animal. My attempt isn't all that bad and grabs it below the chin. Again, the grab does absolutely nothing. Does this thing grab all?! This is obviously never going to work. Perhaps I'm missing something? Let's see if someone else can do better. I visit a machine with another huge panda plush inside. Someone else is currently playing. This person is good. He or she makes a perfect grab and the prize is dropped down. But...how is that ever going to fit down the hole? Clearly not a machine I want to be playing, so back to the hub it is. Is there a way 'to beat the system?' Maybe so...



Next week: Ping pong balls, wok pans and more!

Block-adder

Updates from the world of LEGO. In this edition: Christmas treats, new bags and 'The Child'



Things don't get much more Christmas-y than *A Christmas Carol*, do they?

Christmas comes early this year

Each year LEGO releases a special promotional set during the Christmas period. Recently a picture of a set appeared on Instagram that is likely to be this year's treat. It's based on the classic

Dickens novel *A Christmas Carol* and includes a book made from LEGO, a small set of a classic English interior and minifigures of *Marley*, *Cratchit* and, of course, *Scrooge* himself. It's likely you'll be able to get it at the LEGO Black Friday 2020 event.

Sustaaaaain

The LEGO group is working hard to make its packaging sustainable by 2025. The first changes are already happening next year as the plastic bags inside the boxes will be replaced by paper ones. Apart from being more easy to recycle, these new bags (which were in development for the past two years) should be easier to open too. Nice one!

Doodoo or doodoo not

Star Wars and LEGO meet again as the LEGO Star Wars 'The Child' (that's baby Yoda) construction set will launch by the end of next month. After building 'The Child' (measuring just under 20cm/7.8") you'll be able to move its head, ears and mouth. The construction set (1,073 pieces in total) also comes with an information plaque, which includes the Child's height and age, and a LEGO Star Wars minifigure of the Child. Like said, it launches globally on October 30th, but pre-orders open on September 21st. It ain't exactly cheap, though, as it's expected to cost you roughly \$80/€80/£70.

Procrastination

By: Indra Bergmans

As a creative, you've probably dealt with the title at some point in your life. And you probably also know that the internet is full of people who claim to have the answers to the problem. Some might tell you to set up a schedule, some will tell you to set a clear deadline and others might even tell you that succeeding in this task is all in its preparation. This might sound logical. We just need to manage our time better. Schedule everything better. Make sure that we prepare everything. But then, it doesn't happen... Especially in creativity we might doubt our passions. Do I want this bad enough? And if the answer is yes, then why I'm I not doing it? Am I just lazy? Turns out, you're not lazy. The reasons most people procrastinate is because of the fear of failure. We also tend to get overwhelmed by the task we give ourselves. All of the sudden, we feel the deep urge to clean the house or do the dishes. Maybe you decided to start that new videogame you wanted to play for a while. In the short term, this will make us feel better. But eventually, we disappoint ourselves and wonder why nothing got done. I have some tips for you:

Study environment

Study environment can be really important. Get yourself a place in your house that is meant for studying. If you like to sit on the couch to watch tv or the play videogames, working on the couch may not work for you. Maybe you could work at a desk or dinner table. This way you really separate your relaxing time and worktime. Of course, if Corona allows it and you feel like it, you could also work outside of the home. Think of your local library or Starbucks.



Break down the steps

If the task(s) overwhelm you, you could try breaking it down in smaller steps. This way you will feel less overwhelmed and you can keep a proper eye on what's important right now.

Keep the steps small

When you breakdown these steps, make sure they're bitesize chunks you can handle. Once again, this will help you focus on the task at hand.

Set the bar low

Allow yourself to be imperfect. Being a perfectionist can really be the bane of your creative existence. So let's try to be okay with being less perfect. Not all of your work is going to be brilliant, maybe it hardly turns out how you had it in mind. And that's perfectly fine!

Having to be perfect can be anxiety fueling and crippling. So be okay with what you might consider less perfect or great. It will be far from failure.

Now, remember, not all of these might work perfectly for you. Everyone is different, with different habits, different reasons for stress and fears. It's up to you to find out where the procrastination is coming from. Making yourself more conscient of your own behavior could really help. I hope this article is of help in some way. Even if it's just you knowing you are not alone. (Also, I need to apologize to this magazine's creator. I procrastinated quite a bit with this piece. Sorry Ivenne!)

Many thanks to Indra for her article, follow her on Twitter [@Lasanthi86](#)

Barry's Pizza Place

Help fund a Weston-super-mare pizza place in exchange for...pizza!

You like pizza. Fact. You've been watching *Youtube* at one point in your life. Fact. You're living close to Weston-super-mare...er..probably not. Still, if you're reading this zine it's quite possible you're aware of the Youtube channel by *Barry Lewis* (formerly known as *My Virgin Kitchen*). It's (as he describes it himself) a 'fun food cooking channel'. Rather than posh dishes, Barry loves showing you how he created a giant *KitKat* created from scratch, a birthday

cake made from *biscoff* biscuits or a one pan *fajita*. Oh, and there's that one time he nearly burnt down his kitchen by plugging a US toasting machine into the UK mains. Oops. Barry is this passionate about his job he has been talking about opening his own pizzeria in his home town. He planned to do a Kickstarter to fund his dream, but just when he was about to...well you'll probably know what happened. It's that thing that starts with a c and

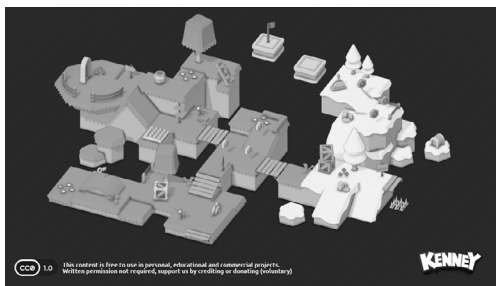
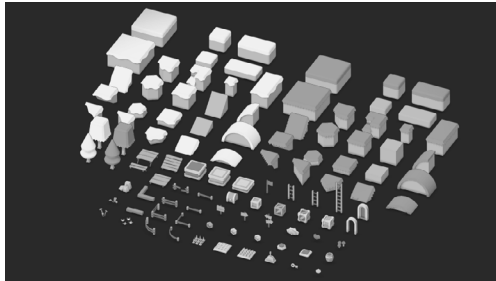
ends with an a. Somehow his Kickstarter has now gone live completely by accident (if you've seen some of his video's you know there was really no other way), but because he's 'a big believer some things happen for a reason' he kept it up. Good thing too, because it looks like his dream is rapidly becoming reality. Want to help? For your pledge of £10 or more you can get yourself rewards like video updates, your name on the 'founders wall' of the pizzeria or even a lifetime of free pizza's (a bargain at £600).

[[The People's Pizzeria Kickstarter](#)]

FREE: Assets

Kit out your platform game

Picture: you're excellent programmer and you have an great idea for a game. You're just lacking some high quality artwork. In that case we'd advise you to take a look at the recently released *Platformer Kit* by Kenney.



Their FREE package contains a wide range of objects (100+) for use in platformers and other related games. Included are landscape tiles, items, blocks, hazards and more. If you like Kenney's work consider a donation or becoming a patron.

Make sure to check out the rest of their site too, because there's plenty more where that come from!

[\[Platformer Kit\]](#)

Quality Quote

Words to go by

'In a time of deceit telling the truth is a revolutionary act'

-George Orwell

Thanks

Stay for the credits

This issue's thanks to: Indra & Dave

Lost Hours Walk

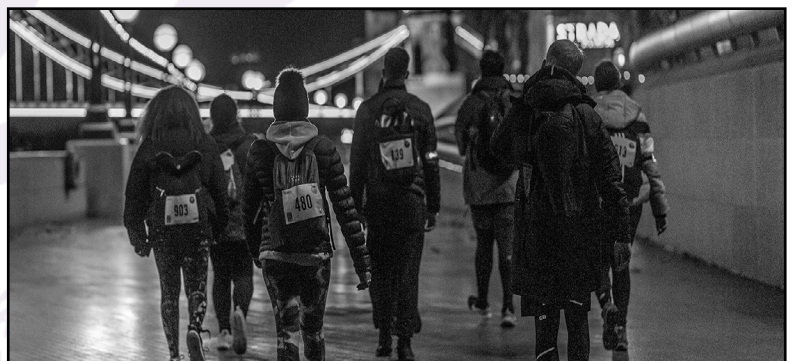
It's time to unite against Suicide

1324 generally is a zine about fun and the good things in life: the internet, books, movies, music, games...you name it. That doesn't mean more serious topics have no place in it and this is one of them.

125 people take their own lives every single week in the UK. That's why CALM (Campaign Against Living Miserably) are organising a walk to send a message that that's not ok. They ask us to join them this October, to 'walk forward, together against suicide with our communities, family and friends. It's not about the hours walked or the money raised, it's about uniting to smash the silence around suicide in the UK'.

We're well aware not all of our readers are from the UK, but you can still take part and any funds raised will go to support the work of CALM. You could also consider helping one of the walkers reach their funding goal. One of them (who also made us aware of the walk) is *Timmus*, a big supporter of our zine in its previous incarnation. Find the links below (sadly, it seems you *do* need a credit card to be able to donate). Thank you!

[\[Support CALM\]](#) [\[Timmus's Walk funding page\]](#)



Trivia: The Answers

Plenty of answers. Can you come up with the questions?

- [01] Portuguese
- [02] Green. You got that one, surely?
- [03] It stands for *Function*
- [04] That would be *Philips*
- [05] The *Festival de Cannes* is a movie festival
- [06] You could, actually, as it's worth roughly \$2600.
- [07] New York, USA.
- [08] Smaller, whereas an A3 sheet would be bigger
- [09] *Ally Sheedy*
- [10] *Leah Remini*
- [11] Six. Four are walking legs and two large back legs are used to make long jumps.
- [12] A 3D printer
- [13] Generally, yes. Rules and regulations do vary from carrier to carrier.
- [14] Red
- [15] *Graphite*. Before the pencil, graphite sticks were initially wrapped in string or sheepskin for stability

See you next week?

the 'information' and 'communication' fields. The 'information' field is defined as:

...the study of the nature, uses and functions of information, and the ways in which it is created, communicated, evaluated and used. (p. 1)

The 'communication' field is defined as:

...the study of the nature, uses and functions of communication, and the ways in which it is created, communicated, evaluated and used. (p. 1)

These definitions are very broad and cover a wide range of topics. However, they do provide a useful starting point for discussing the relationship between information and communication.

In the following sections, we will discuss the relationship between information and communication in more detail. We will also discuss the role of information science in this relationship.

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